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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5658 OFFERED BY Ms. BORDALLO OF GUAM

Add at the end of division A the following new title:

1 TITLE XVII—GUAM WORLD WAR 2 II LOYALTY RECOGNITION

- Sec. 1701. Short title.
- Sec. 1702. Recognition of the suffering and loyalty of the residents of Guam.
- Sec. 1703. Payments for Guam World War II claims.
- Sec. 1704. Adjudication.
- Sec. 1705. Grants program to memorialize the occupation of Guam during World War II.
- Sec. 1706. Authorization of appropriations.

3 SEC. 1701. SHORT TITLE.

- 4 This title may be cited as the "Guam World War II
- 5 Loyalty Recognition Act".
- 6 SEC. 1702. RECOGNITION OF THE SUFFERING AND LOY-
- 7 ALTY OF THE RESIDENTS OF GUAM.
- 8 (a) RECOGNITION OF THE SUFFERING OF THE RESI-
- 9 DENTS OF GUAM.—The United States recognizes that, as
- 10 described by the Guam War Claims Review Commission,
- 11 the residents of Guam, on account of their United States
- 12 nationality, suffered unspeakable harm as a result of the
- 13 occupation of Guam by Imperial Japanese military forces
- 14 during World War II, by being subjected to death, rape,
- 15 severe personal injury, personal injury, forced labor,
- 16 forced march, or internment.

1	(b) Recognition of the Loyalty of the Resi-
2	DENTS OF GUAM.—The United States forever will be
3	grateful to the residents of Guam for their steadfast loy-
4	alty to the United States of America, as demonstrated by
5	the countless acts of courage they performed despite the
6	threat of death or great bodily harm they faced at the
7	hands of the Imperial Japanese military forces that occu-
8	pied Guam during World War II.
9	SEC. 1703. PAYMENTS FOR GUAM WORLD WAR II CLAIMS.
10	(a) PAYMENTS FOR DEATH, PERSONAL INJURY,
11	FORCED LABOR, FORCED MARCH, AND INTERNMENT.—
12	Subject to section 1706(a), after receipt of certification
13	pursuant to section 1704(b)(8) and in accordance with the
14	provisions of this title, the Secretary of the Treasury shall
15	make payments as follows:
16	(1) RESIDENTS INJURED.—The Secretary shall
17	pay compensable Guam victims who are not de-
18	ceased before any payments are made to individuals
19	described in paragraphs (2) and (3) as follows:
20	(A) If the victim has suffered an injury de-
21	scribed in subsection (c)(2)(A), \$15,000.
22	(B) If the victim is not described in sub-
23	paragraph (A) but has suffered an injury de-
24	sambod in subsection (a)(9)(R) \$19,000

1	(C) If the victim is not described in sub-
2	paragraph (A) or (B) but has suffered an in-
3	jury described in subsection (c)(2)(C), \$10,000.
4	(2) Survivors of residents who died in
5	WAR.—In the case of a compensable Guam decedent,
6	the Secretary shall pay \$25,000 for distribution to
7	eligible survivors of the decedent as specified in sub-
8	section (b). The Secretary shall make payments
9	under this paragraph after payments are made
10	under paragraph (1) and before payments are made
11	under paragraph (3).
12	(3) Survivors of deceased injured resi-
13	DENTS.—In the case of a compensable Guam victim
14	who is deceased, the Secretary shall pay \$7,000 for
15	distribution to eligible survivors of the victim as
16	specified in subsection (b). The Secretary shall make
17	payments under this paragraph after payments are
18	made under paragraphs (1) and (2).
19	(b) Distribution of Survivor Payments.—Pay-
20	ments under paragraph (2) or (3) of subsection (a) to eli-
21	gible survivors of an individual who is a compensable
22	Guam decedent or a compensable Guam victim who is de-
23	ceased shall be made as follows:

1	(1) If there is living a spouse of the individual,
2	but no child of the individual, all of the payment
3	shall be made to such spouse.
4	(2) If there is living a spouse of the individual
5	and one or more children of the individual, one-half
6	of the payment shall be made to the spouse and the
7	other half to the child (or to the children in equal
8	shares).
9	(3) If there is no living spouse of the individual,
10	but there are one or more children of the individual
11	alive, all of the payment shall be made to such child
12	(or to such children in equal shares).
13	(4) If there is no living spouse or child of the
14	individual but there is a living parent (or parents)
15	of the individual, all of the payment shall be made
16	to the parents (or to the parents in equal shares).
17	(5) If there is no such living spouse, child, or
18	parent, no payment shall be made.
19	(c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this title:
20	(1) COMPENSABLE GUAM DECEDENT.—The
21	term "compensable Guam decedent" means an indi-
22	vidual determined under section 1704(a)(1) to have
23	been a resident of Guam who died or was killed as
24	a result of the attack and occupation of Guam by
25	Imperial Japanese military forces during World War

1	II, or incident to the liberation of Guam by United
2	States military forces, and whose death would have
3	been compensable under the Guam Meritorious
4	Claims Act of 1945 (Public Law 79-224) if a timely
5	claim had been filed under the terms of such Act.
6	(2) COMPENSABLE GUAM VICTIM.—The term
7	"compensable Guam victim" means an individual de-
8	termined under section 1704(a)(1) to have suffered,
9	as a result of the attack and occupation of Guam by
10	Imperial Japanese military forces during World War
11	II, or incident to the liberation of Guam by United
12	States military forces, any of the following:
13	(A) Rape or severe personal injury (such
14	as loss of a limb, dismemberment, or paralysis).
15	(B) Forced labor or a personal injury not
-16	under subparagraph (A) (such as disfigure-
17	ment, scarring, or burns).
18	(C) Forced march, internment, or hiding
19	to evade internment.
20	(3) Definitions of severe personal inju-
21	RIES AND PERSONAL INJURIES.—The Foreign
22	Claims Settlement Commission shall promulgate reg-
23	ulations to specify injuries that constitute a severe
24	personal injury or a personal injury for purposes of

1	subparagraphs (A) and (B), respectively, of para-
2	graph (2).
3	SEC. 1704. ADJUDICATION.
4	(a) AUTHORITY OF FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT
5	Commission.—
6	(1) In General.—The Foreign Claims Settle-
7	ment Commission is authorized to adjudicate claims
8	and determine eligibility for payments under section
9	1703.
10	(2) Rules and regulations.—The chairman
11	of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission shall
12	prescribe such rules and regulations as may be nec-
13	essary to enable it to carry out its functions under
14	this title. Such rules and regulations shall be pub-
15	lished in the Federal Register.
16	(b) CLAIMS SUBMITTED FOR PAYMENTS.—
17	(1) Submittal of Claim.—For purposes of
18	subsection (a)(1) and subject to paragraph (2), the
19	Foreign Claims Settlement Commission may not de-
20	termine an individual is eligible for a payment under
21	section 1703 unless the individual submits to the
22	Commission a claim in such manner and form and
23	containing such information as the Commission
24	specifies.

1	(2) FILING PERIOD FOR CLAIMS AND NOTICE.—
2	All claims for a payment under section 1703 shall be
3	filed within one year after the Foreign Claims Set
4	tlement Commission publishes public notice of the
5	filing period in the Federal Register. The Foreign
6	Claims Settlement Commission shall provide for the
7	notice required under the previous sentence not later
8	than 180 days after the date of the enactment of
9	this title. In addition, the Commission shall cause to
10	be publicized the public notice of the deadline for fil-
11	ing claims in newspaper, radio, and television media
12	on Guam.
13	(3) ADJUDICATORY DECISIONS.—The decision
14	of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission on
15	each claim shall be by majority vote, shall be in writ-
16	ing, and shall state the reasons for the approval or
17	denial of the claim. If approved, the decision shall
18	also state the amount of the payment awarded and
19	the distribution, if any, to be made of the payment.
20	(4) DEDUCTIONS IN PAYMENT.—The Foreign
21	Claims Settlement Commission shall deduct, from
22	potential payments, amounts previously paid under
23	the Guam Meritorious Claims Act of 1945 (Public
24	Law 79-224).

1	(5) Interest.—No interest shall be paid on
2	payments awarded by the Foreign Claims Settlement
3	Commission.
4	(6) REMUNERATION PROHIBITED.—No remu-
5	neration on account of representational services ren-
6	dered on behalf of any claimant in connection with
7	any claim filed with the Foreign Claims Settlement
8	Commission under this title shall exceed one percent
9	of the total amount paid pursuant to any payment
10	certified under the provisions of this title on account
11	of such claim. Any agreement to the contrary shall
12	be unlawful and void. Whoever demands or receives,
13	on account of services so rendered, any remunera-
14	tion in excess of the maximum permitted by this sec-
15	tion shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or impris-
16	oned not more than 12 months, or both.
17	(7) APPEALS AND FINALITY.—Objections and
18	appeals of decisions of the Foreign Claims Settle-
19	ment Commission shall be to the Commission, and
20	upon rehearing, the decision in each claim shall be
21	final, and not subject to further review by any court
22	or agency.
23	(8) CERTIFICATIONS FOR PAYMENT.—After a
24	decision approving a claim becomes final, the chair-
25	man of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission

- shall certify it to the Secretary of the Treasury for authorization of a payment under section 1703.
 - (9) TREATMENT OF AFFIDAVITS.—For purposes of section 1703 and subject to paragraph (2), the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission shall treat a claim that is accompanied by an affidavit of an individual that attests to all of the material facts required for establishing eligibility of such individual for payment under such section as establishing a prima facie case of the individual's eligibility for such payment without the need for further documentation, except as the Commission may otherwise require. Such material facts shall include, with respect to a claim under paragraph (2) or (3) of section 1703(a), a detailed description of the injury or other circumstance supporting the claim involved, including the level of payment sought.
 - (10) Release of Related Claims.—Acceptance of payment under section 1703 by an individual for a claim related to a compensable Guam decedent or a compensable Guam victim shall be in full satisfaction of all claims related to such decedent or victim, respectively, arising under the Guam Meritorious Claims Act of 1945 (Public Law 79-224),

1	the implementing regulations issued by the United
2	States Navy pursuant thereto, or this title.
3	(11) PENALTY FOR FALSE CLAIMS.—The provi-
4	sions of section 1001 of title 18 of the United States
5	Code (relating to criminal penalties for false state-
6	ments) apply to claims submitted under this sub-
7	section.
8	SEC. 1705. GRANTS PROGRAM TO MEMORIALIZE THE OCCU-
9	PATION OF GUAM DURING WORLD WAR II.
10	(a) Establishment.—Subject to section 1706(b)
11	and in accordance with this section, the Secretary of the
12	Interior shall establish a grants program under which the
13	Secretary shall award grants for research, educational,
14	and media activities that memorialize the events sur-
15	rounding the occupation of Guam during World War II,
16	honor the loyalty of the people of Guam during such occu-
17	pation, or both, for purposes of appropriately illuminating
18	and interpreting the causes and circumstances of such oc-
19	cupation and other similar occupations during a war.
20	(b) ELIGIBILITY.—The Secretary of the Interior may
21	not award to a person a grant under subsection (a) unless
22	such person submits an application to the Secretary for
23	such grant, in such time, manner, and form and con-
24	taining such information as the Secretary specifies.

1 SEC. 1706. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

- 2 (a) GUAM WORLD WAR II CLAIMS PAYMENTS AND
- 3 ADJUDICATION.—For purposes of carrying out sections
- 4 1703 and 1704, there are authorized to be appropriated
- 5 \$126,000,000, to remain available for obligation until Sep-
- 6 tember 30, 2012, to the Foreign Claims Settlement Com-
- 7 mission. Not more than 5 percent of funds made available
- 8 under this subsection shall be used for administrative
- 9 costs.
- 10 (b) Guam World War II Grants Program,—For
- 11 purposes of carrying out section 1705, there are author-
- 12 ized to be appropriated \$5,000,000, to remain available
- 13 for obligation until September 30, 2012.

